

REMARKS

The application has been amended to place it in condition for allowance at the time of the next Official Action.

Claims 12-24 are pending in the application.

Claims 12-24 were rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. That rejection is respectfully traversed.

The noted rejections of claims 12, 14, 15, and 24 are addressed to provide further clarification as to the scope of the claims.

Claim 12 is amended to clarify the relationship between the chain of the chainsaw, the guide bar and the chain wheel. Claim 12 is also amended to clarify that "openings therebetween" refers to openings between strips. Claim 12 is further amended to clarify that "their longitudinal axes" refers to the longitudinal axes of the strips. Claim 12 is still further amended to clarify that movement paths of the chain encounter a surface of the strips.

Claim 14 is amended to clarify that the movement path of the chain extends toward the strips.

Claim 15 is amended consistent with claim 12.

Claim 24 is amended to clarify that the chain rotates. See line 5 of claim 24, which recites that the chainsaw has a chain.

The above changes are the only changes and are believed not to raise new issues. Accordingly, the 35 USC §112, second paragraph rejections are believed addressed and should be withdrawn.

As no references were applied against the claims, and in view of the present amendment and the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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